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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

STATUS OF PROJECTS

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1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(August 28, 1950-September 5, 1950)

NSC Action PROGRESS REPORT ON NSC 26/2, dated April 21, 1950
No. 303-b (Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject:
 "NSC 26/2", dated September 1, 1950)

2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

A. ITEMS SCHEDULED ON AGENDA FOR 67TH NSC MEETING,
September 7, 1950:

INTERNAL SECURITY

(Progress Report, dated August 29, 1950, on NSC 17/4 and NSC 17/6)

Scheduled to be noted as Item 1 on the agenda for the 67th NSC Meeting, September 7, 1950. The Attorney General has been invited to participate in this Council action.

UNITED STATES COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO KOREA

(NSC 81; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Future United States Policy with Respect to North Korea", dated July 17, 1950)

The President requested the NSC to prepare for his consideration a report on the subject, covering the policy which should be pursued by the United States after the North Korean forces have been driven back to the 38th parallel. The NSC Staff has prepared a report on the above subject (NSC 81), scheduled as Item 2 for consideration on the agenda for the 67th NSC Meeting, September 7, 1950.

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD ARMS SHIPMENTS TO THE NEAR EAST

(Progress Report, dated August 25, 1950, on NSC 65/3)

Scheduled to be noted as Item 3 on the agenda for the 67th NSC Meeting, September 7, 1950.

FUTURE COURSES OF U. S. ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AUSTRIA

(NSC 38/4 and NSC 38/6)

and

U. S. POLICY IN THE EVENT OF A BLOCKADE OF VIENNA

(NSC 63/1)

(Progress Report, dated August 28, 1950, on the subject reports)

Scheduled to be noted as Item 4 on the agenda for the 67th NSC Meeting, September 7, 1950.

B. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY MEMORANDUM ACTION

NSC 10/2

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 19, 1950)

Memorandum by the Chairman, NSRB, recommending a revision of NSC 10/2, submitted for Council consideration by the reference memo of June 19. Approved by State with comments, July 7, 1950. Awaiting memorandum action by other Council members.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

A PLAN FOR NATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

(NSC 74; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 10, 1950)

The reference report on the subject, transmitted by the Under Secretary of State and prepared by the organization established pursuant to NSC 59/1, submitted for consideration by the Council and the Secretary of the Treasury by the reference memo of July 10. Approved August 4 by State, subject to comments. Awaiting memorandum action by other Council members and the Secretary of the Treasury.

COORDINATION OF U. S. AID PROGRAMS FOR FAR EASTERN AREAS

(NSC 61/1; NSC 61; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 16 and August 14, 1950)

Pursuant to NSC 61, a report by the Under Secretaries of State and the Army, and with the concurrence of the President, representatives for a Working Group were designated by the Secretaries of State, Defense, and the Treasury, and Commerce, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator, to prepare a report looking to closer coordination of economic and military aid programs generally for Far Eastern areas. The report, prepared by the Working Group with the assistance of a representative of the Bureau of the Budget, was submitted for consideration by the reference memo as NSC 61/1. Approved by the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce; disapproved by the Economic Cooperation Administrator, with comment. Reply of the Secretary of Defense with the views of the JCS, circulated by the reference memo of August 14, which summarizes the above replies and suggests an appropriate Council action in the light thereof. Approved by Defense and Treasury, August 17; by NSRB and ECA, August 18; by Commerce, with comments, August 19. Awaiting action by other Council members with respect to the suggestion in the reference memo of August 14.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 23, 1949, and August 17, 1950, ref. NSC 18/4, par. 28)

Pursuant to par. 28 of NSC 18/4, approved by the President on November 18, 1949, the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Acting Chairman, NSRB, the Attorney General, and the Director, Bureau of the Budget, designated representatives to assist in the preparation of a study on the methods by which the United States can make available military assistance to meet emergency needs not provided for in existing legislation. A recent State study indicates that, with the passage of the amendments to the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949, the President's powers have been considerably broadened with respect to emergency military assistance, and concludes that the President has ample authority to act in emergencies. The suggestion,

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS (Cont'd)

concurrent in by the senior NSC staff members and the representatives referred to above, that the directive contained in par. 28 of NSC 18/4 be cancelled, was circulated by the reference memo of August 17 for memorandum action by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Director, Bureau of the Budget. Approved by NSRB, August 18; by Justice, August 19; by Treasury, August 21; by Budget, August 23; and by Defense, August 24. Awaiting action by other Council members.

C. ITEMS AWAITING SUBSEQUENT NSC CONSIDERATION

THE REARMAMENT OF WESTERN GERMANY
(NSC 71; NSC 71/1; NSC Action No. 313)

JCS views on the subject circulated as NSC 71 for the information of the Council. State views on the subject in response to NSC 71, circulated as NSC 71/1, also for the information of the Council. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action until the next Council meeting, and directed the NSC Consultants, with Mr. Harriman's assistance, to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. Discussion of the subject further deferred at the request of Defense. To be scheduled on the agenda of a later Council meeting. (See also Section 3.)

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD SPAIN
(NSC 72; NSC 72/1; NSC Action No. 312)

JCS views on the subject circulated as NSC 72 for the information of the Council. State views on the subject in response to NSC 72, circulated as NSC 72/1, also for the information of the Council. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action until the next Council meeting, and directed the NSC Consultants to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. Discussion of the subject further deferred at the request of Defense. To be scheduled on the agenda of a later Council meeting. (See also Section 3.)

THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLIGENCE (Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 28, 1949; NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237; NSC 50)

Final progress report by the Director of Central Intelligence, of those called for by NSC 50 and NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237, circulated by the reference memo for Council information.

3. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE SENIOR NSC STAFF

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF GLOBAL WAR (NSC 79)

Memo on the subject by the JCS, circulated at the request of the Secretary of Defense for the information of the NSC and the Secretary of the Treasury and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. At its meeting on Wednesday, August 30, 1950, the senior NSC staff agreed to designate an ad hoc group of specially-qualified officials to draft a report. The staff also agreed that the report should include, in addition to a statement of United States and Allied war objectives, such related questions as a statement of the conditions that the United States would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR and its satellites. Designations to ad hoc group made by State, Defense, JCS, and NSRB; awaiting other designations. Matter of procedure for preparation of report scheduled for senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1950.

PEACE OFFENSIVE CONCERNING KOREA (NSC 80)

Memo on the subject by the Joint Secretaries, circulated on the recommendation of the Secretary of Defense and with the concurrence of the President for the information of the NSC and the Secretary of the Treasury and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. Scheduled for the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1950.

U. S. COURSES OF ACTION IN THE EVENT SOVIET FORCES ENTER KOREAN HOSTILITIES (NSC 76; NSC 76/1; NSC Actions Nos. 308-c, 309-a and 323)

By NSC Action No. 308-c the Council agreed that recommendations for consideration by the President should be prepared as to the courses of action to be followed in the event that Soviet forces enter Korean hostilities. By NSC Action No. 309-a the Council discussed and amended a directive to General MacArthur, which provided interim guidance with respect to this eventuality. A report on the subject by the Secretary of Defense (NSC 76), prepared pursuant to NSC Action No. 308-c, and comments thereon by State and NSRB Consultants (NSC 76/1), were noted and discussed by the NSC at its 62nd Meeting and referred to the NSC Consultants and Staff for the preparation of recommendations for Council action. Scheduled for the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1950. (See related projects in Sections 2, 4, and 5.)

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE SENIOR NSC STAFF (Cont'd)

THE POSITION AND ACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBLE FURTHER SOVIET MOVES IN THE LIGHT OF THE KOREAN SITUATION
(NSC 73/4; NSC Action No. 348-b)

At its 66th Meeting the Council, with the President presiding, adopted the reference report as a working guide, and referred it to the NSC Staff for continuing study and recommendations regarding the contingencies envisaged therein. Scheduled for the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1950. (See also related projects in this Section and in Sections 2, 4, and 5.)

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD YUGOSLAVIA AND THE FURNISHING OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO YUGOSLAVIA IN CASE OF AGGRESSION
(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 5, 1950)

Memorandum on the subject by the Joint Chiefs of Staff circulated by the reference memo at the request of the Secretary of Defense for the information of the Council, and referred to the NSC Staff for use in connection with studies being prepared pursuant to NSC Action No. 348-b (see item 2 above in this section), with particular reference to the review of NSC 18/4. Scheduled for the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1950.

FORM OF NSC REPORTS

(Memo for NSC Staff, same subject, dated September 5, 1950)

In accordance with a suggestion that the current form of NSC reports be modified in order to facilitate the work of the Council, a revised draft form for NSC reports was prepared by the Executive Secretary for consideration at the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1950.

THE REARMAMENT OF WESTERN GERMANY

(NSC 71; NSC 71/1; NSC Action No. 313; revised memo of senior NSC staff meeting, August 11, 1950)

JCS views on the subject circulated as NSC 71 for the information of the Council. State views on the subject in response to NSC 71, also for the information of the Council. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action until the next Council meeting, and directed the NSC Consultants with Mr. Harriman's assistance to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. At a senior NSC staff meeting on August 11, it was agreed to consider the contribution which Germany can make to the defense of Western Europe on the basis of proposals now in preparation in the Department of State. Awaiting State draft. (See also Section 2.)

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE SENIOR NSC STAFF (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD SPAIN

(NSC 72; NSC 72/1; NSC Action No. 312; Memo for NSC Consultants, subject: "The Provision of Military Aid to Spain", dated August 3, 1950; revised memo of senior NSC staff meeting, August 11, 1950)

JCS views on the subject circulated as NSC 72 for the information of the Council. State views on the subject in response to NSC 72, circulated as NSC 72/1 also for the information of the Council. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action until the next Council meeting, and directed the NSC Consultants to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. A memo for the President by the Secretary of Defense on "The Provision of Military Aid to Spain", referred by the President to the Executive Secretary, was circulated by the reference memo for the information and use of the NSC Consultants and Staff in connection with their study of NSC 72 and NSC 72/1. At a senior NSC staff meeting on August 11, it was agreed to reconsider our relationship with Spain on the basis of a statement of U. S. military requirements with respect to Spain, to be prepared by the senior Defense and JCS members. Awaiting paper by senior Defense and JCS members. (See also Section 2.)

RELEASE OF INFORMATION REGARDING NEW WEAPONS

(Memo for NSC Consultants and AEC Representative from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 5, 1950)

At the direction of the President, the Council and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, have undertaken a consideration of the general problem of weapons information, including atomic weapons, in order to make appropriate recommendations to the President on the subject. A draft report prepared by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the discussion at a meeting on June 22, has been circulated to the NSC Staff and a representative of the AEC by the reference memo. Awaiting redraft of this report by Defense.

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

(NSC 68; NSC Actions Nos. 289-b, 302-b, 321, 342-b, 350-b, and 351; Memo for Ad Hoc Committee from Executive Secretary, subject: "Initial Questions Confronting the Committee", dated April 28, 1950; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Intelligence Requirements and Mobilization", dated August 8, 1950; Memo for NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Meeting with the Ad Hoc Committee on NSC 68, August 22, 1950", dated August 23, 1950; and Memo for NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Objectives and Programs for National Security", dated August 28, 1950)

A letter from the President and the report by the Secretaries of State and Defense on the subject referred to therein, were circulated as NSC 68 and discussed at the 55th NSC Meeting. The Secretary

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE SENIOR NSC STAFF (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY (Cont'd)

of the Treasury, the Economic Cooperation Administrator, the Director, Bureau of the Budget, and the Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers, participated in this Council action.

Pursuant to NSC Action No. 289-b, an ad hoc committee was established to prepare a response to the President's directive in NSC 68 as a matter of urgency. Pursuant to NSC Action No. 302-b, this ad hoc committee was further authorized to study and make recommendations with respect to the organization of the government to implement the Conclusions of NSC 68 in the event those Conclusions are approved. Pursuant to NSC Action No. 342-b, the senior NSC staff assumed responsibility for this project and, with the advice and assistance of the members of the former ad hoc committee, is currently revising a draft response, distributed August 21, which contains departmental programs and cost estimates.

At its 62nd Meeting the Council noted a statement by the President establishing the deadline date of September 1, 1950 for submission of the Council's response to his directive in NSC 68 (NSC Action No. 321). Upon recommendation by the senior NSC staff and members of the former ad hoc committee (see reference memo dated August 23), the President extended the deadline date to September 15 (NSC Action No. 350-b). In order to meet this deadline for submission of the response by the NSC, and in the light of the discussion at the last meeting of the senior NSC staff on August 22, the Executive Secretary circulated, by the reference memo dated August 28, a schedule of deadlines as a guide to all participants in the project.

By memorandum action (NSC Action No. 351) the Council referred a memo by the Director of Central Intelligence on "Intelligence Requirements and Mobilization" (reference memo of August 8) to the NSC Staff for consideration in drafting a response to the President's directive in NSC 68.

Awaiting revised military programs and estimates from Defense for use in revision of draft response by the senior NSC staff with the advice and assistance of the members of the former ad hoc committee. (See also NSC 73/4 project above.)

PROVISION OF ARMED FORCES FOR THE UNITED NATIONS

Draft report on the subject, transmitted by the Deputy Under Secretary of State, recommended the preparation of a report for Council consideration. Initial state draft circulated to NSC Staff on March 31, 1950. At its meeting on August 11, the senior NSC staff agreed that the Departments of State and Defense should be responsible for preparing recommendations on this question. Awaiting draft report by State and Defense.

4. PROJECTS IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFF ASSISTANTS

APPRAISAL OF U. S. NATIONAL INTERESTS IN SOUTH ASIA

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 2 and June 17, 1949; SANACC 360/14; NSC Action No. 224; NSC 48/2)

Report by SANACC (360/14) on the subject, and amendments proposed by the Secretary of Defense, referred by the Council at its 42nd Meeting to the NSC Staff for use in preparation of a report pursuant to NSC 48, "U. S. Policy Toward Asia", and for re-examination in light of that study (NSC 48/2) and the discussion at the meeting. After a number of staff drafts and revisions, further staff consideration now temporarily deferred pending further consideration of the subject by State. Awaiting State reconsideration.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE PHILIPPINES

At the suggestion of the President, the NSC Staff has been requested to prepare a report on the above subject for Council consideration. CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 296, "Current Situation in the Philippines", furnished to Consultants and Staff on June 9; and preliminary ORE 33-50, "Current Situation in the Philippines", furnished the Staff on June 27. Initial State draft circulated June 20, 1950. Report on the subject in preparation by the JCS will be furnished to the Staff for use in preparation of a report. Awaiting JCS report.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO GREECE

State draft report circulated August 8, 1950. To be scheduled for consideration at early meeting of NSC Staff Assistants.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO IRAN

State draft report circulated August 8, 1950, to be revised by State in light of the Staff Assistants' discussion on August 29. Awaiting revised draft by State.

5. OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS

U. S. MILITARY CAPABILITIES

(NSC Action No. 308-d)

By NSC Action No. 308-d the Council noted the President's agreement with a suggestion by the Secretary of State that the Department of Defense should prepare for the information of the Council a review of our military capabilities in order to indicate the extent of our freedom of choice. Pursuant to the President's direction, the Secretary of Defense was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. Awaiting report by the Department of Defense. (See also related items in Sections 3 and 4.)

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY

(NSC 60; NSC 48/2; NSC 44; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Limited Military Armament for Japan", dated March 11, 1949; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, subject: "Planning for Limited Japanese Armed Forces", dated April 27, 1949)

Pursuant to par. 3-d of NSC 48/2, the question of a peace settlement with Japan will be presented for Council consideration at a later date. The JCS views on this subject circulated for Council information as NSC 60. NSC 44 and related papers, previously under consideration by the NSC Consultants, referred by agreement among Consultants for consideration in connection with this project. Pursuant to the President's direction, the Secretary of State was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. Awaiting report by the Secretary of State on the results of further study of this project by State and Defense.

APPRAISAL OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS, FACILITIES AND ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 7, 1950; NSC Action No. 282)

In approving the proposal by the Acting Chairman, NSRB, in the reference memo, the NSC directed (NSC Action No. 282) the Central Intelligence Agency, in collaboration with the Government agencies concerned, to organize and conduct a study of foreign economic intelligence requirements, facilities and arrangements related to the national security and, based on the findings of this study, to prepare for Council consideration and action a comprehensive plan for satisfying the foreign economic intelligence requirements of the national security and for a coordinated interagency effort to this end based on a definite allocation of responsibilities among the agencies concerned. Pursuant to the President's direction, the Director of Central Intelligence was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. Awaiting report by the Central Intelligence Agency.

OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

NATIONAL MANPOWER MOBILIZATION POLICY
(NSC 77; NSC Action No. 328-b)

At its 63rd Meeting (NSC Action No. 328) the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Secretary of Labor considered a report by the Chairman, NSRB, on the subject (NSC 77) and noted the President's directive that the Chairman, NSRB, in consultation with the Departments of Defense and Labor, should develop a national manpower mobilization policy. Pursuant to the President's direction the Chairman, NSRB, was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. Awaiting report by the Chairman, NSRB.

SUPPORT FOR THE VOICE OF AMERICA IN THE FIELDS OF INTELLIGENCE AND OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (NSC 66; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated April 4 and May 11, 1950)

The reference report by the Secretary of State submitted by the reference memo of April 4 for consideration and memorandum action by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission. In accordance with the suggestion of the Secretary of State, the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Chairman, FCC, and the Director of Central Intelligence, were requested to designate representatives in advance to prepare a report for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman, FCC, in the event that the recommendations in NSC 66 were approved. The following actions have been received:

State: Approves recommendations; designates Mr. Howland Sargeant.

Defense: Recommends no further action by the Council until an ad hoc committee of the IAC completes its current investigation of the problem.

Treasury: Approves recommendations.

NSRB: Approves recommendations.

FCC: Disapproves recommendations, with comment that there should be a re-evaluation of the entire "Voice" operations; designates Mr. Curtis B. Plummer.

CIA: Designates Mr. Ralph L. Clark, and reports on current related activities.

Defense, FCC, and CIA comments transmitted by the reference memo of May 11 for Council consideration in connection with NSC 66. The departments and agencies concerned agreed informally that this item

OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

should not be scheduled for Council consideration until the Director of Central Intelligence and the IAC had submitted recommendations in the light of the report of the ad hoc committee of the IAC referred to above. Pursuant to the President's direction, the Director of Central Intelligence was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. Awaiting report by the Director of Central Intelligence.

6. DEFERRED PROJECTS

DISCUSSION OF U. S. POLICY TOWARD INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COLLABORATION (NSC 56/2; NSC Action No. 301-b)

When adopting the reference report, the NSC agreed to discuss the subject of the report at a later date prior to the anticipated trip to Latin America of the Secretary of Defense. To be scheduled on the agenda of a future Council meeting.

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